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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to new conformational antibodies directed against HCV and more particularly to monoclonal antibodies. The invention also relates to compositions of particles liable to be recognized by said antibodies, and to pharmaceutical compositions containing them. The invention also relates to HCV enveloped subviral particles or purified HCV enveloped complete viral particles, and the processes for preparing them.

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